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Convoy for Freedom Update 59

Next Report: February 20, 2022 4:00PM

MTO Status Updates

MTO MAG: Activated

Updates in Blue

Transportation Safety Statistics

- Number of Drivers Licence Suspension submissions received to date – 0.
- Number of Vehicle Plate Suspension submissions received to date – 4, Number of Plates suspended 2.
- Number of CVOR Suspension submissions received to date – 0.
- Number of CVOR Warning Submissions received to date – 53, Number of CVOR Warnings Issued – 53 . Number of unique OOP distinct seizure orders – 6.

Regional Updates

Region	Events:	Notes - Operational Updates and Impacts
WEST RAG: Activated	Reports of a small truck convoy coming from Ottawa headed to Ambassador Bridge but were stopped at Milton and dispersed by OPP. OPP stationed at both off ramps from EC row to Huron Church Road working on measures to prevent protestors from returning. Ambassador Bridge remains fully open. Canada-bound	MTO will assist as usual practice if requested. OPP is aware MTO Transportation Enforcement Officers will be available upon request. MTO/AMC staff support possibly required by OPP. Staff are remaining on standby.

	and US-bound traffic flowing freely.	
CENTRAL RAG: Activated	Refer to the Municipal Issues section below regarding Niagara. There is also ongoing monitoring for slow roll protests along the Windsor to Toronto stretch of the 401. OPP in Niagara have requested all ramps be cleared of snow in the event they need to close them easily. MTO reports as of 2:00pm, ramps have been cleared of snow.	OPP activated the command post at COMPASS (Friday, Feb 18) at 6 am. Maintenance will be on standby - however expect to be carrying out winter operations. TSD and Central Operations will have representatives onsite at COMPASS to support Saturday, and into Sunday as needed. 17 Enforcement Officers deployed from Central Region to East Region in Ottawa to support police partners. OPP is also aware that MTO Transportation Enforcement Officers and Maintenance staff continue to be available upon request.
EAST RAG: Activated	Refer to the Municipal Issues section below. MTO assisting police provincially when required. Ramps into the downtown core of Ottawa have been closed.	50 MTO Enforcement Officers are in Ottawa/East Region supporting police response including 17 who have been redeployed from Central region.

	Highway 417 ramps have MTO officers present with an OPP patrol supporting if any issues arise. MTO officers are processing the vehicles when they arrive at the tow location.	MTO will assist as usual practice if requested by OPP.
NORTHEAST RAG: Activated	Small local convoy planned in New Liskeard for Saturday, February 19 beginning at 11 AM. Route is 343 Whitewood Avenue to Armstrong Street, to Highway 65, to Highway 11. Route includes approximately 1.5 km of highway. Remainder of route is on municipal roads.	MTO will assist as usual practice if requested by OPP.
NORTHWEST RAG: Activated	Social Media Reported: Convoy from Saskatchewan reached Northwestern Ontario. Reports of three buses and a few passenger vehicles in convoy. Reports that they spent the night in Kenora and are making their way along Highway 17 towards Thunder Bay today. RAG continues to monitor the situation. Social media mentioned possibility of combined convoy involving Semi trucks to head to Pigeon River on Saturday, See municipal Impacts for more info.	MTO will assist as usual practice if requested by OPP.

OPS Building & Operations Issues

- No updates at this time.

Services Disruptions

- Metrolinx
 - No updates at this time.
- Active construction projects are being monitored for any impacts due to the protests.
- CBSA reports normal operations have resumed at the Ambassador Bridge.
- CBSA reports normal operations have resumed at the Peace Bridge.

Municipal Issues

- West - Windsor
 - No action anticipated in Windsor this weekend. Police have it under control and showing closures with barriers on their web site.
 - Access to Ambassador Bridge remains open.
- West – Strathroy
 - No updates at this time.
- Central – Niagara
 - Planned protest for Saturday leaving Niagara on the lake at 9:00am and proceeding towards Fort Erie Peace Bridge.
- Central – Toronto
 - There are a number of counter protests being organized including a potential march on Sunday at 1300 from Toronto City Hall to Queen's Park.
- East – Ottawa
 - MTO updates above.
 - Pick up trucks seen on Highway 7 heading towards Ottawa (CR and ER).
 - A large number of officers are in the downtown Ottawa core, making arrests. According to CTV live stream as of 2:55pm there were 21 arrests made in Ottawa.
 - 25 vehicles towed this far. Some could be driven away, at this time no major issues encountered in terms of vehicles immobilized to make towing difficult. Progress is dependent on work being done by the police.

- North West
 - Social media confirmed, the Feb 26th Nipigon Convoy will travel from Thunder Bay to Terrace Bay on the 26th direct then go to protest in Nipigon on the 27th.
 - Freedom Convoy Thunder Bay has planned convoy, ending with a rally, on Saturday, February 19 beginning at 1:30PM, with route throughout the city of Thunder Bay. Social media has mentioned the possibility of this being a combined convoy involving Semi trucks which will head West on Highway 11/17 and turn onto Harbour Expressway, where they may split at that time and the Semi convoy and others choosing to continue would head to Pigeon River via Highway 61 while the others would proceed to the Park event.
- North East
 - No updates at this time.

Interprovincial / International Border Issues

- No updates at this time.